

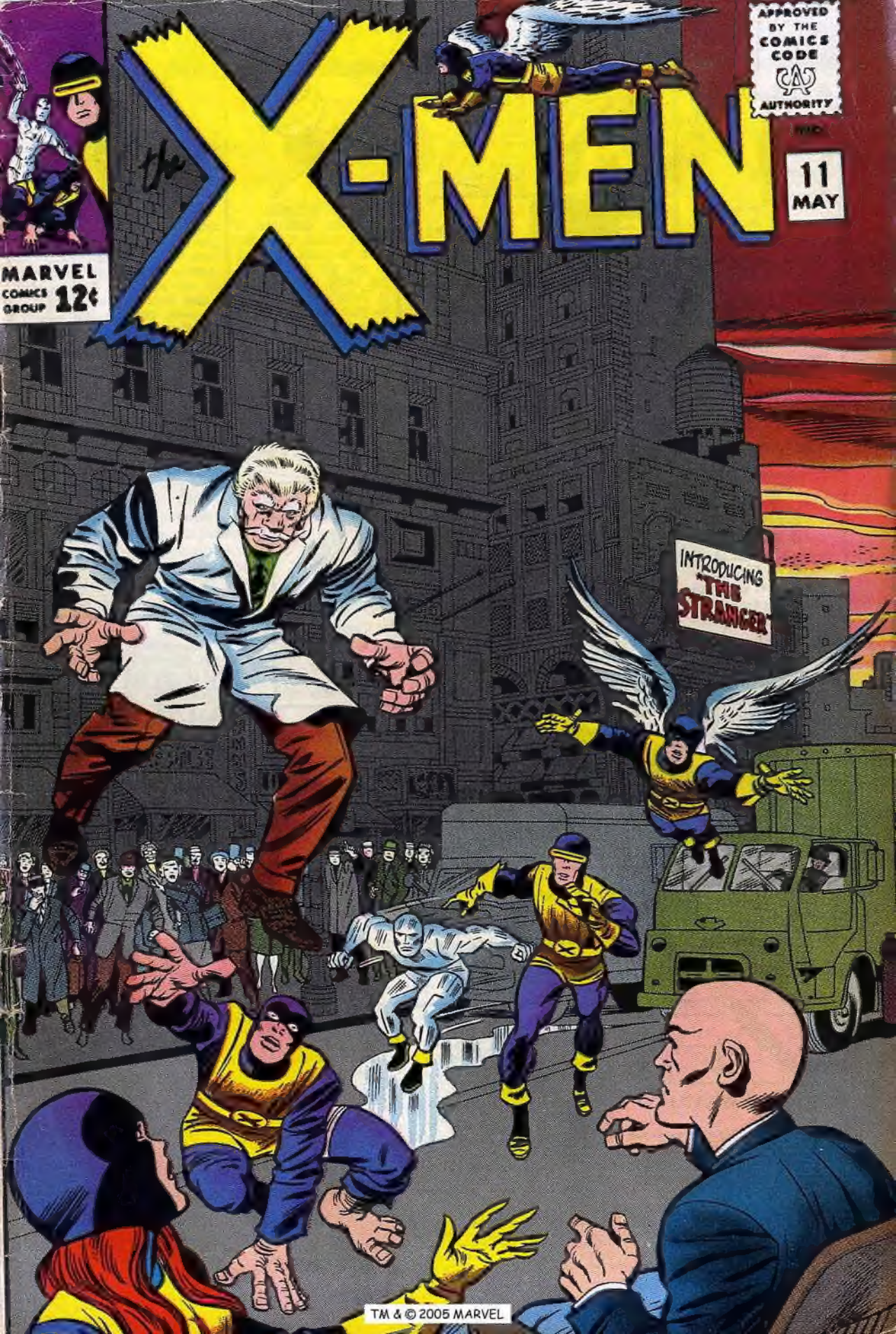


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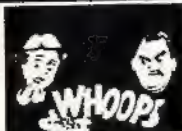
Just place this over the T.V. screen or the front window. Watch the fun begin. It looks like the glass is broken.

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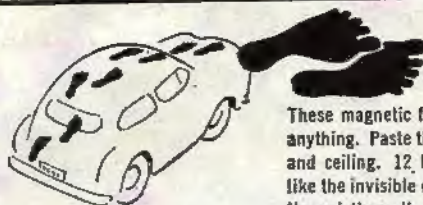
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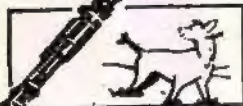
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THE MOST  
UNUSUAL  
TEEN-AGERS  
OF ALL TIME!

NO! YOU'RE *NOT* SEEING THINGS! THIS TITLE *MEANS* WHAT IT SAYS....!

# "THE TRIUMPH OF MAGNETO!"

INTRODUCING! THE NEW,  
STARTLING, STAGGERING  
MENACE OF...  
**The STRANGER!**

CYCLOPS! WE  
RECEIVED YOUR  
EMERGENCY  
ALARM! WHAT'S  
PROFESSOR X  
WORKING ON?  
WHAT  
HAPPENED?

QUIET, ANGEL!  
YOU AND THE  
OTHERS GATHER  
'ROUND! HE'LL  
EXPLAIN!

IT MUST BE HIS  
NEW RADAR-IMAGE  
BEAM! IT CONVERTS  
RADAR BLIPS INTO  
PICTURES OF THE  
OBJECT!

WHEW!  
I WAS  
AFRAID WE  
WERE BEING  
ATTACKED!

IF YOU HAVE  
LOCATED A  
HITHERTO  
UNDISCOVERED,  
MUTANT,  
PROFESSOR,  
THAT MEANS  
WE X-MEN  
MUST REACH  
HIM BEFORE  
HE CAN BE  
RECRUITED  
BY  
MAGNETO!

YOU'RE RIGHT, JEAN!  
I USE THIS BEAM TO  
DETECT THE PRESENCE  
OF OTHER MUTANTS!  
I'M GETTING A NEW  
IMAGE NOW!

X-TRAORDINARY SCRIPT  
BY: STAN LEE

X-TRAVAGANT ART  
BY: JACK KIRBY

X-CEPTIONAL INKING  
BY: CHIC STONE

X-EMPLOYORY LETTERING  
BY: ARTIE SIMEK





LOOK! THE IMAGE IS ABOUT TO TAKE SHAPE!

BUT, WAIT...! SOMETHING IS HAPPENING! WHAT WAS THAT BLAST?



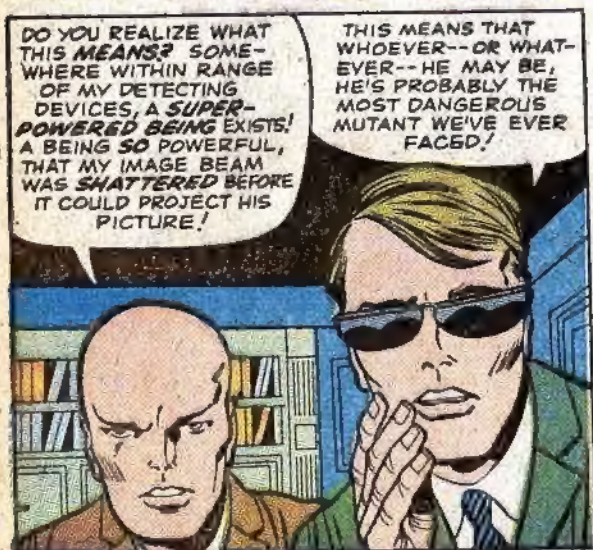
A WAVE OF SHEER FORCE IS FIGHTING THE IMAGE-BEAM! THE PICTURE WON'T TAKE FORM!

BUT--HOW CAN THAT BE?



LOOK OUT! SOMETHING HAS TO GIVE!

THE IMAGE EXPLODED! IT'S GONE!



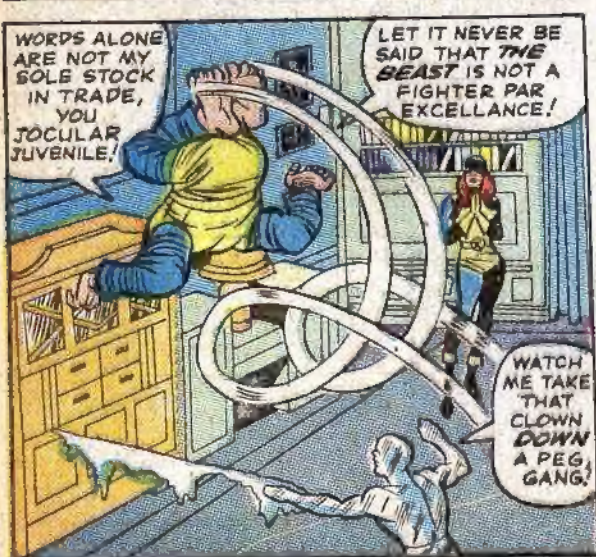
DO YOU REALIZE WHAT THIS MEANS? SOMEWHERE WITHIN RANGE OF MY DETECTING DEVICES, A **SUPER-POWERED BEING** EXISTS! A BEING SO POWERFUL, THAT MY IMAGE BEAM WAS SHATTERED BEFORE IT COULD PROJECT HIS PICTURE!

THIS MEANS THAT WHOEVER--OR WHAT--EVER--HE MAY BE, HE'S PROBABLY THE MOST DANGEROUS MUTANT WE'VE EVER FACED!



THEN WHY ARE WE **PROCRASTINATING**? WE'VE HEARD THE CLARION CALL TO BATTLE! LET US SALLY FORTH AND SLAY SOME DRAGONS!

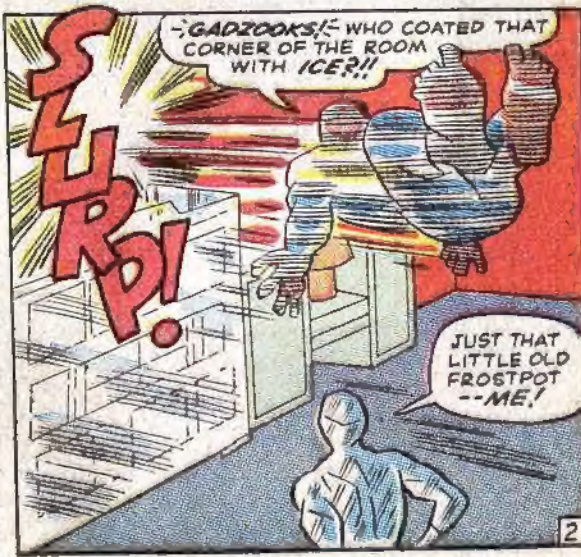
IF OUR ENEMIES COULD BE BEATEN BY WORDS, HANK, YOU COULD WIN EVERY FIGHT SINGLE-HANDED!



WORDS ALONE ARE NOT MY SOLE STOCK IN TRADE, YOU JOCLAR JUVENILE!

LET IT NEVER BE SAID THAT **THE BEAST** IS NOT A FIGHTER PAR EXCELLENCE!

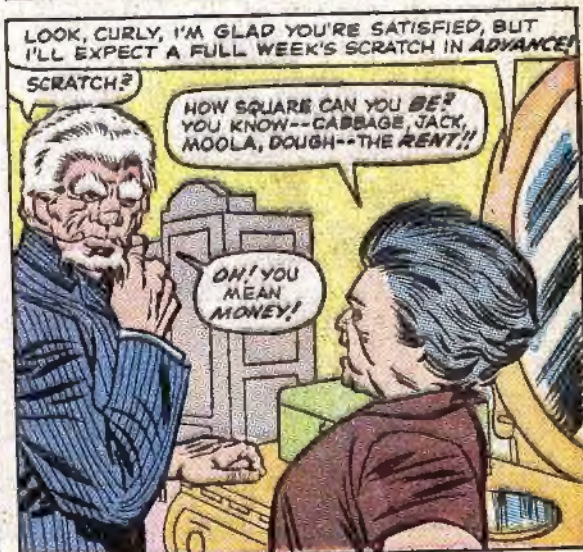
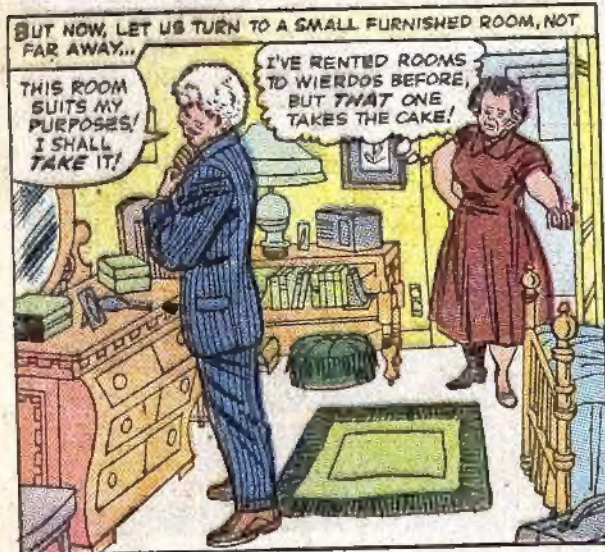
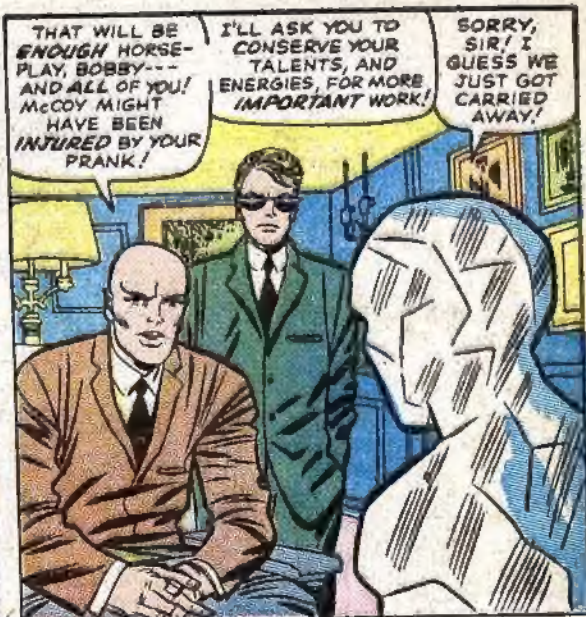
WATCH ME TAKE THAT CLOWN DOWN A PEG, GANG!



**SLURP!** --GADZOOKS!-- WHO COATED THAT CORNER OF THE ROOM WITH ICE?!!

JUST THAT LITTLE OLD FROSTPOT --ME!







SOMETIME LATER, THE "STRANGER" LEAVES HIS ROOM AND JOINS THE MILLING CROWD IN THE STREETS BELOW...



I MUST FAMILIARIZE MYSELF WITH THIS CITY, AND WITH ITS PEOPLE....!

THE TRAFFIC IS TOO HEAVY! IT TAKES TOO LONG TO CROSS THESE BUSY THOROUGHFARES!

MAYBE HE'S WALKING ON INVISIBLE GLASS!

HE'S PROBABLY WEARIN' SOME NEW KIND OF HELIUM BELT, OR SOMETHING!!

LOOK HOW HE JUST STANDS THERE-- LIKE THERE'S NOTHING TO IT!!

EVERYONE IS STARING! I'M CAUSING TOO MUCH OF A COMMOTION!

I MARVEL AT THE PATIENCE OF THOSE PEOPLE--THE WAY THEY STAND AND WAIT FOR THE TRAFFIC TO STOP!

BUT I CANNOT BEAR TO WASTE TIME SO NEEDLESSLY--NOT WHEN IT IS SO EASY TO MERELY WALK OVER THE TRAFFIC!

LOOK!! THAT MAN, HE'S WALKING ON THIN AIR!!

I'VE SEEN ALL KINDS OF NUTTY PUBLICITY STUNTS-- BUT THAT ONE IS THE MOST!



I'D BETTER GET AWAY FROM THEM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! I DETEST INQUISITIVE CROWDS!

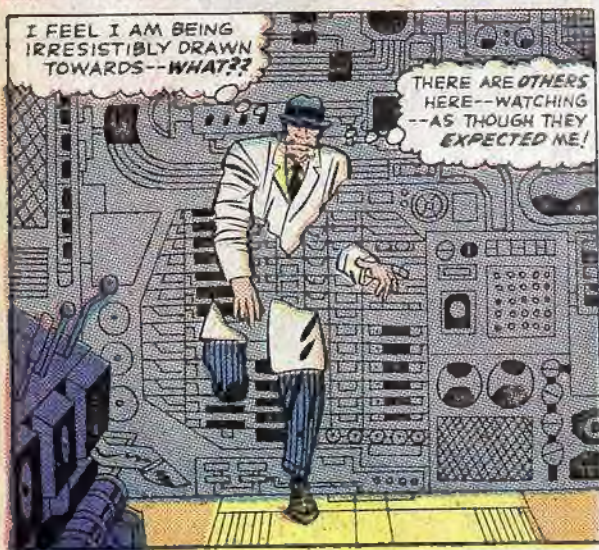


WHY IS SOMETHING ATTRACTING ME TO THIS PARTICULAR BUILDING-- THIS PARTICULAR WALL??

SOMEONE GET A DOCTOR! WOMEN ARE FAINTIN' LIKE FLIES AROUND HERE!!

I FEEL I AM BEING IRRESISTIBLY DRAWN TOWARDS--WHAT??

THERE ARE OTHERS HERE--WATCHING--AS THOUGH THEY EXPECTED ME!



WELCOME! I AM--MAGNETO!! MY FOLLOWERS AND I HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU!



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MEANWHILE, THE UNCANNY X-MEN HAVE BEGUN THEIR OWN SEARCH FOR THE SUPER-POWERED BEING WHOSE PRESENCE IN THE CITY HAD BEEN DETECTED BY PROFESSOR X---

HOLY COW!! WHO'S THAT??



I'VE CIRCLED OVER THE CITY TWICE-- AND STILL NO TRACE OF MY QUARRY!

IT'S A STRANGE FEELING TO SEARCH FOR SOMEONE WITHOUT KNOWING WHOM YOU'RE SEEKING!!



I HOPE THE OTHERS ARE HAVING BETTER LUCK!

FORGIVE ME FOR STARTLING YOU, BUT HAVE YOU SEEN ANYTHING STRANGE FROM YOUR VANTAGE POINT LATELY?

MISTER, I'M LOOKIN' AT THE STRANGEST THING I EVER SAW-- OR EVER HOPE TO SEE!!



AND, SPEAKING OF "THE OTHERS"---

I TELL YOU OVER A DOZEN PEOPLE SWORE THEY SAW SOME JOKER WALKING ON AIR!!

THAT'S OKAY! BUT WHAT ABOUT THEM SAYIN' HE WALKED RIGHT THRU A BUILDING WALL?



A LEAD AT LAST! IT MUST BE HE!

CAN YOU DESCRIBE THE MAN YOU WERE REFERRING TO?

WHY ARE YOU SO INTERESTED, FELLA? WHO ARE YOU? NEVER SAW YOU AROUND THIS BEAT BEFORE!

WHY THE DARK GLASSES ON A CLOUDY DAY LIKE THIS? WE'VE GOT ORDERS TO INVESTIGATE ANYBODY SUSPICIOUS!



LET'S HAVE A LOOK AT YOU WITHOUT THE CHEATERS, PAL!

NO! I CAN'T TAKE MY GLASSES OFF! DON'T ASK ME! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE!! NO!

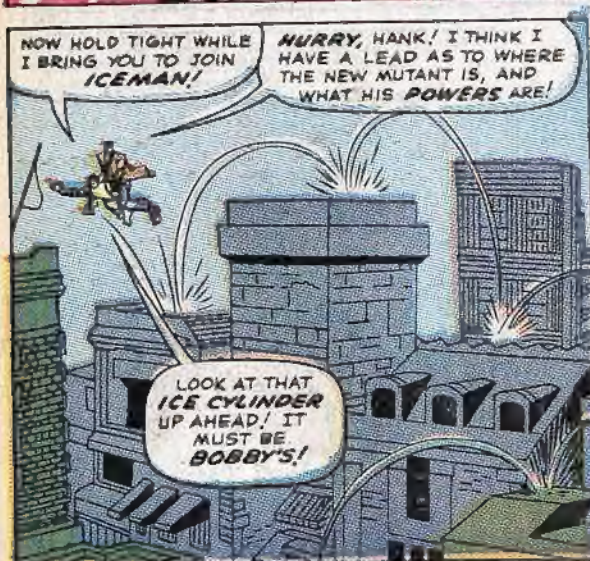
NOW LOOK, MISTER-- ALL WE WANNA DO IS SEE IF WE RECOGNIZE YOU FROM ANYWHERE!

AND, ONLY A GUY ON THE LAM WOULD BE SO SCARED OF REMOVING HIS GLASSES!



NOW, C'MON --GET THOSE THINGS OFF!



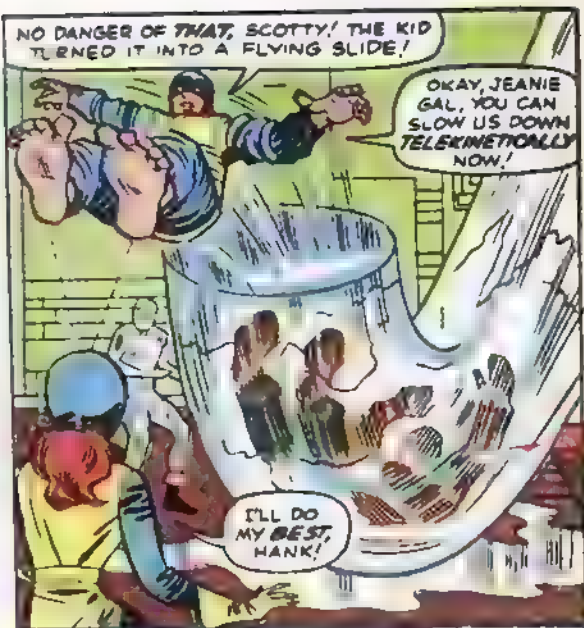






I SEE THEM  
BELOW--  
ICEMAN AND  
MARVEL GIRL--  
STANDING BY!

AS SOON AS YOU LAND--  
DUCK, SO I WON'T COME  
CRASHING DOWN ON TOP  
OF YOU, HANK!



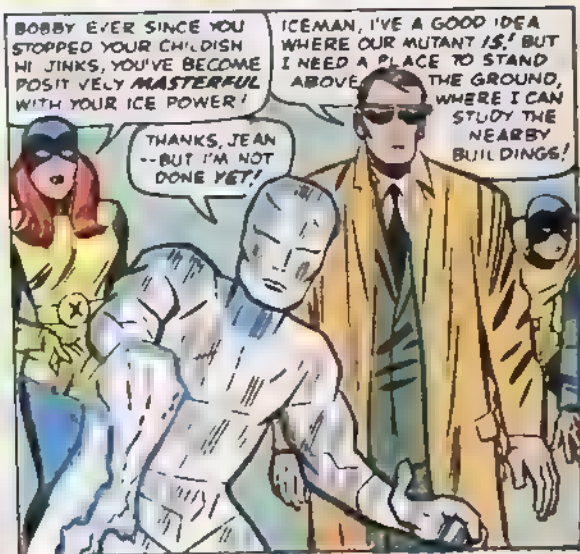
OKAY, JEANIE  
GAL, YOU CAN  
SLOW US DOWN  
TELEKINETICALLY  
NOW!

I'LL DO  
MY BEST,  
HANK!



GOOD GIRL,  
JEAN! I WAS  
WONDERING  
WHAT WOULD  
SLOW US DOWN  
WHEN WE HIT  
BOTTOM!

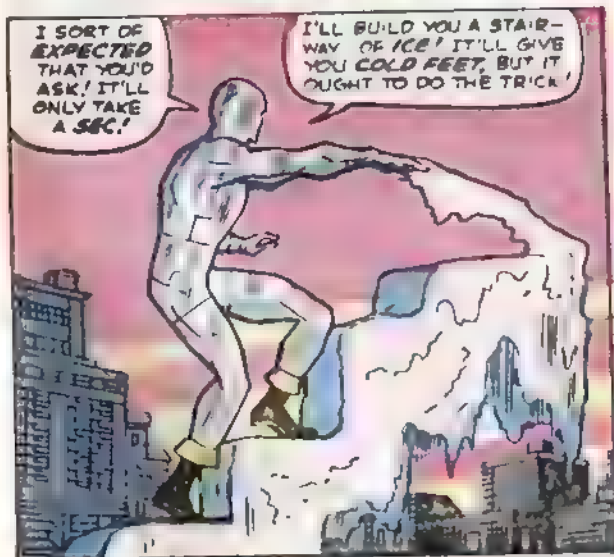
SOMEHOW, WHEN HE SAYS  
"GOOD GIRL", IT'S BETTER  
THAN RICHARD CHAMBERLAIN  
SAYING "MY DARLING!"



BOBBY EVER SINCE YOU  
STOPPED YOUR CHILDISH  
HI JINKS, YOU'VE BECOME  
POSITIVELY MASTERFUL  
WITH YOUR ICE POWER!

ICEMAN, I'VE A GOOD IDEA  
WHERE OUR MUTANT IS! BUT  
I NEED A PLACE TO STAND  
ABOVE THE GROUND,  
WHERE I CAN  
STUDY THE  
NEARBY  
BUILDINGS!

THANKS, JEAN  
--BUT I'M NOT  
DONE YET!



I SORT OF  
EXPECTED  
THAT YOU'D  
ASK! IT'LL  
ONLY TAKE  
A SEC!

I'LL BUILD YOU A STAIR-  
WAY OF ICE! IT'LL GIVE  
YOU COLD FEET, BUT IT  
OUGHT TO DO THE TRICK!



AND, AT THAT MOMENT,

YOU WANT ME  
TO JOIN YOU?  
I DO NOT  
UNDERSTAND!

I AM A  
STRANGER  
HERE! WHO  
ARE YOU?  
WHY  
SHOULD I  
JOIN YOU?

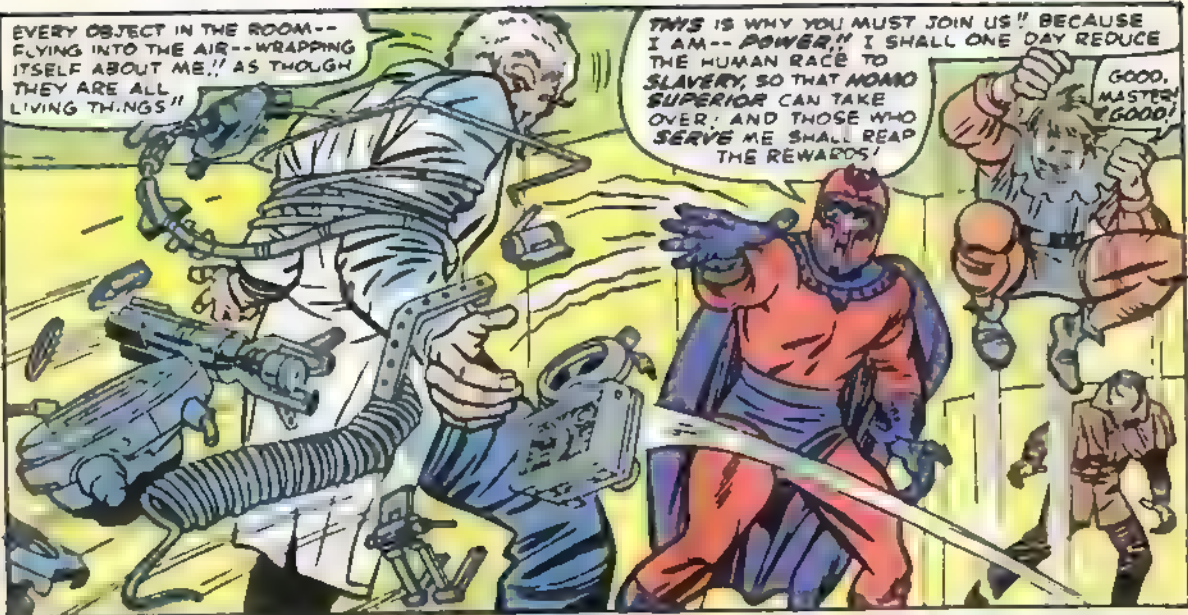
WE'LL  
SHOW  
YOU!!  
WATCH  
--!



EVERY OBJECT IN THE ROOM--  
FLYING INTO THE AIR--WRAPPING  
ITSELF ABOUT ME!! AS THOUGH  
THEY ARE ALL  
LIVING THINGS!!

THIS IS WHY YOU MUST JOIN US!! BECAUSE  
I AM-- **POWER!!** I SHALL ONE DAY REDUCE  
THE HUMAN RACE TO  
**SLAVERY**, SO THAT **NONE**  
**SUPERIOR** CAN TAKE  
OVER! AND THOSE WHO  
SERVE ME SHALL REAP  
THE REWARDS!

GOOD,  
MASTER!  
GOOD!



EACH OF US HAS A MUTANT POWER OF HIS  
OWN! IF **MAGNETO** IS DONE WITH YOU,  
**MASTERMIND** SHALL GIVE YOU A  
DEMONSTRATION...



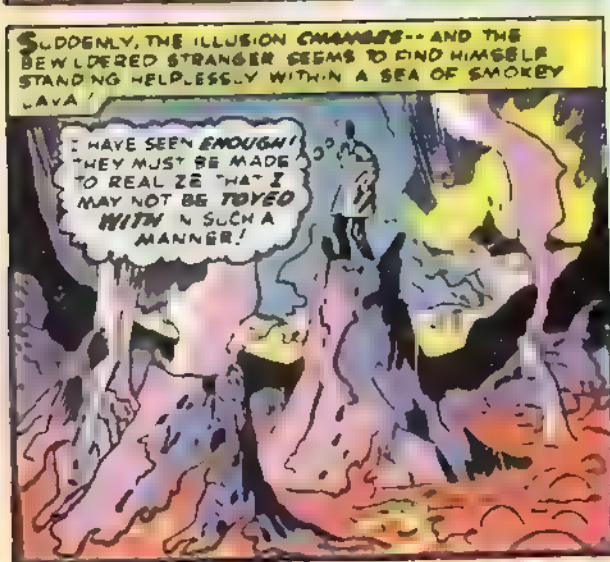
WITH A SINGLE GESTURE  
MASTERMIND CREATES  
ONE OF HIS INCREDIBLE  
ILLUSIONS, AS THE  
STRANGER SEEMS  
TO FIND HIMSELF AT  
THE OCEAN'S BOTTOM.

WHAT  
HAPPENED?  
WHERE AM  
I??



SUDDENLY, THE ILLUSION CHANGES-- AND THE  
BEWILDERED STRANGER SEEMS TO FIND HIMSELF  
STANDING HELPLESSLY WITHIN A SEA OF SMOKEY  
LAVA!

I HAVE SEEN ENOUGH!  
THEY MUST BE MADE  
TO REALIZE THAT I  
MAY NOT BE TOYED  
WITH IN SUCH A  
MANNER!



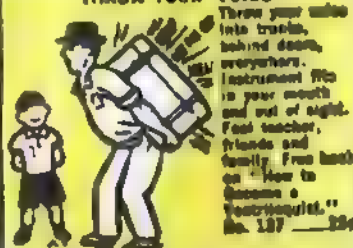
IT IS NOW TIME FOR ME TO GIVE AN EXAMPLE  
OF MY POWER-- POWER WHICH NONE CAN  
EVEN SUSPECT!



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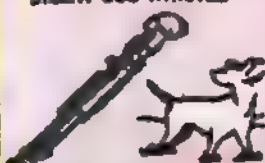


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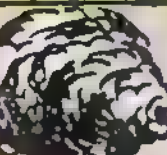
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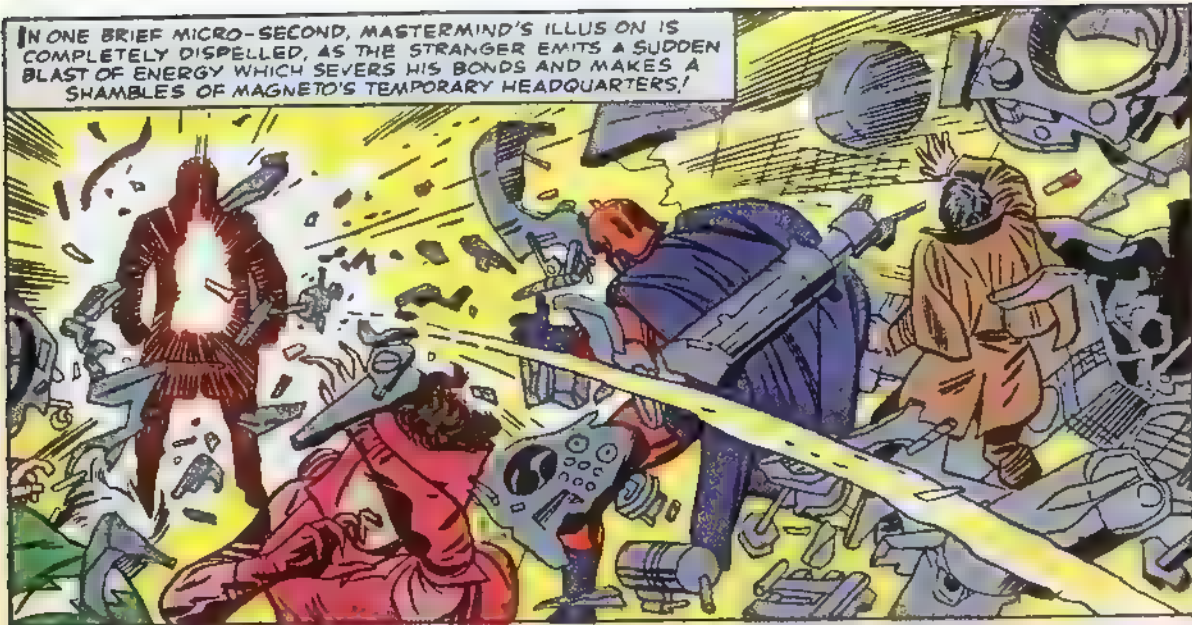
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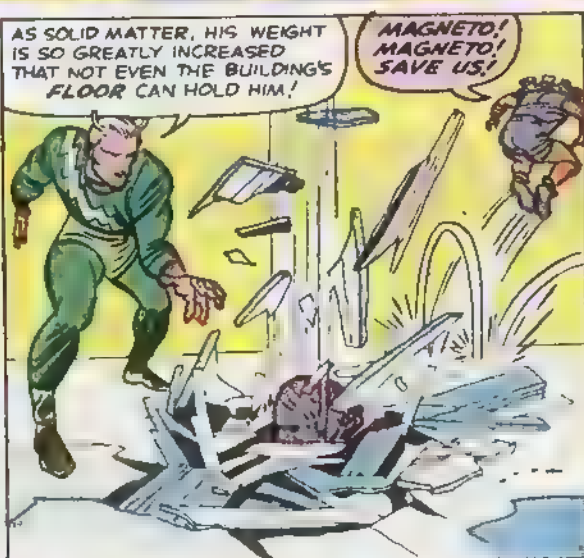


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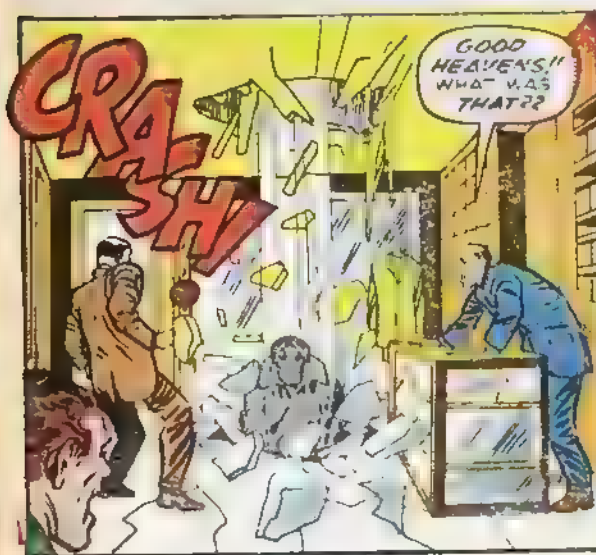


A RAY!! TURNING MASTERMIND INTO A SOLID BLOCK OF MATTER!

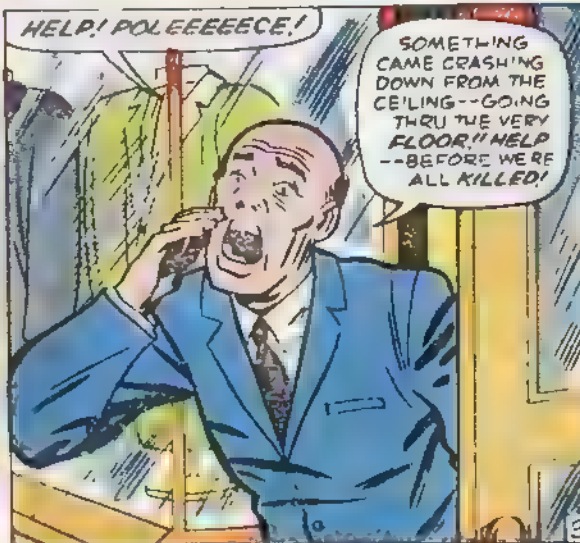
AS SOLID MATTER, HIS WEIGHT IS SO GREATLY INCREASED THAT NOT EVEN THE BUILDING'S FLOOR CAN HOLD HIM!



MAGNETO! MAGNETO! SAVE US!



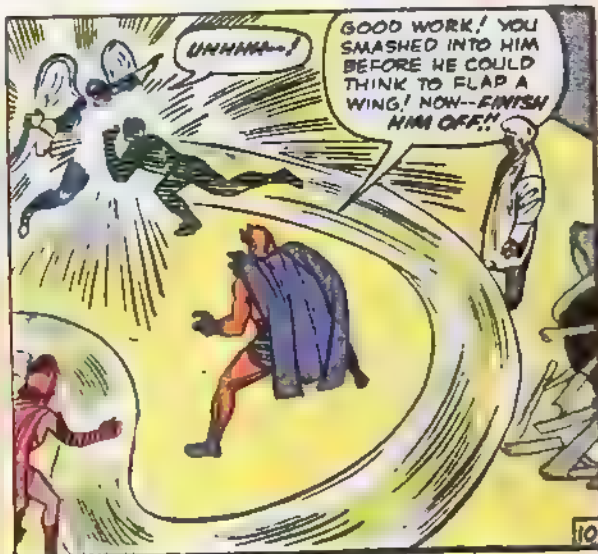
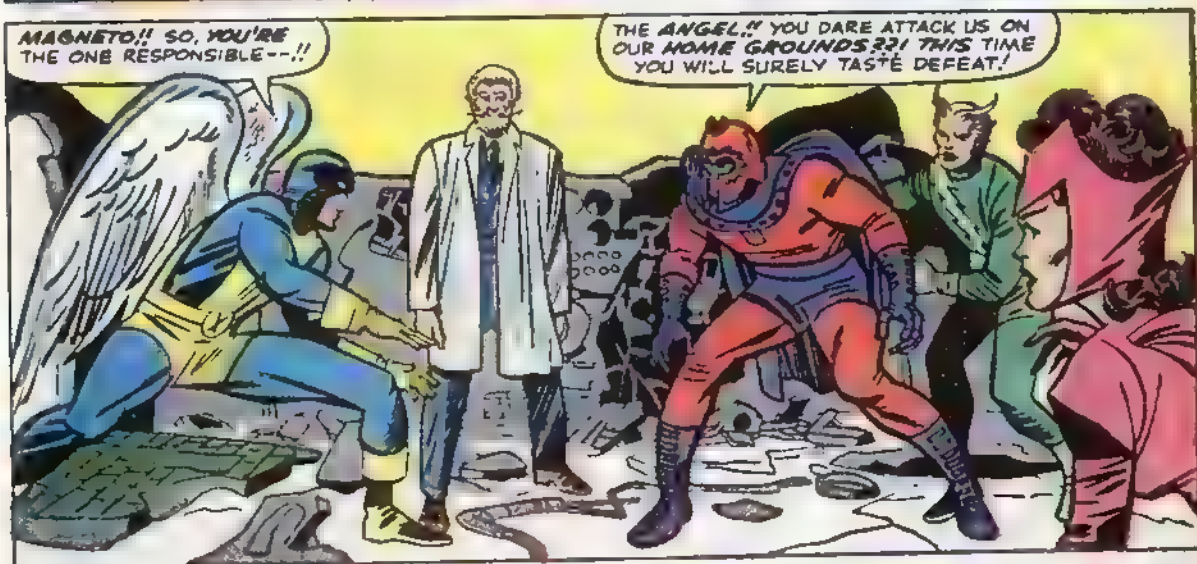
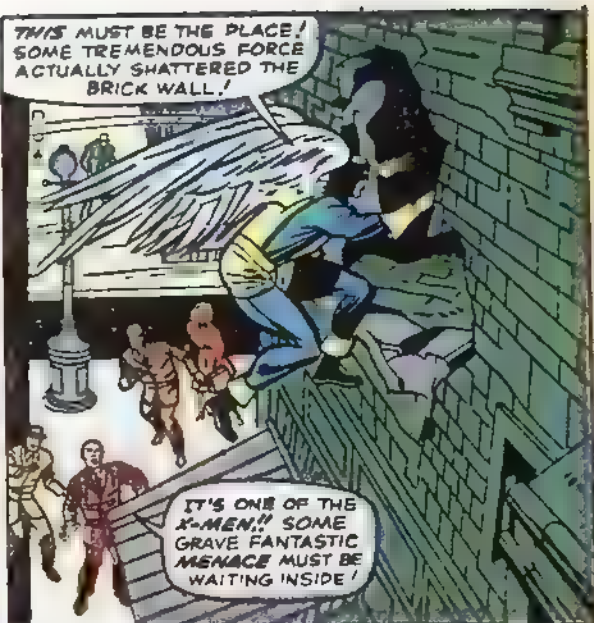
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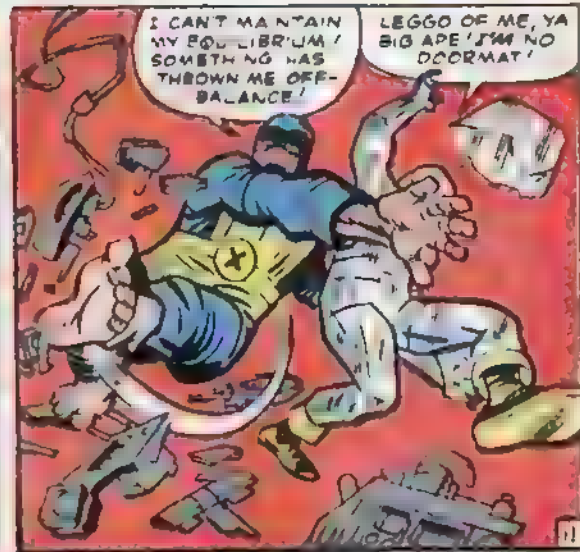
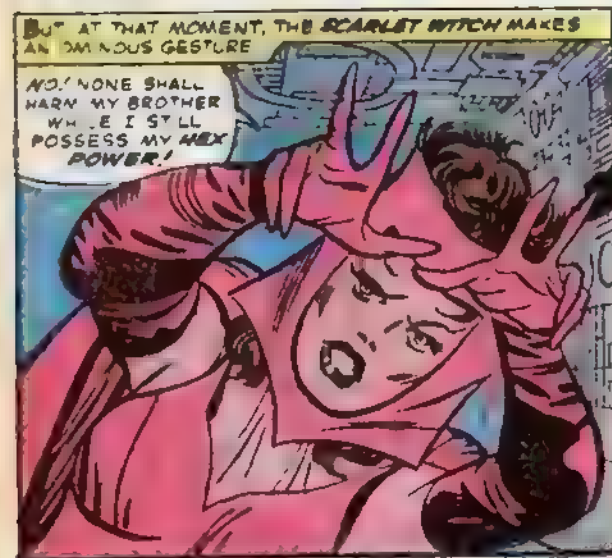
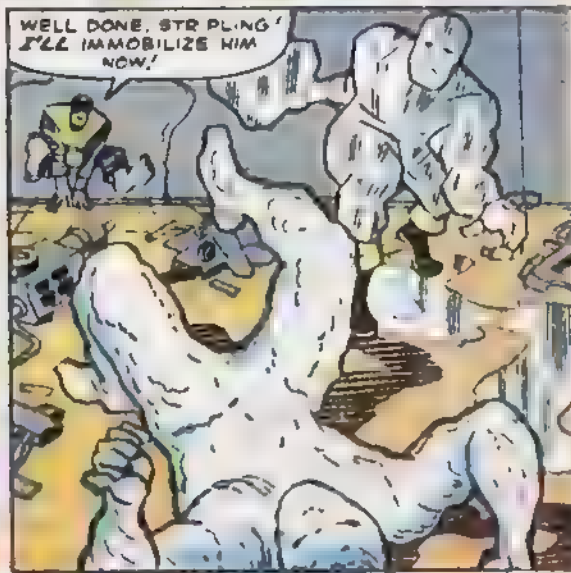
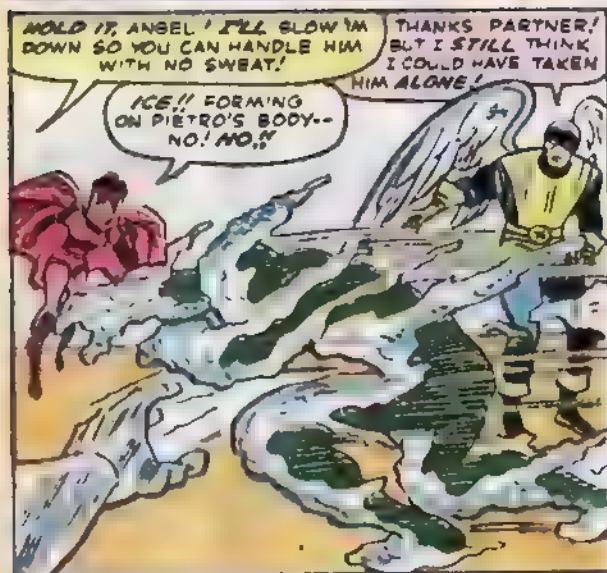
HELP! POLEEEEECE!

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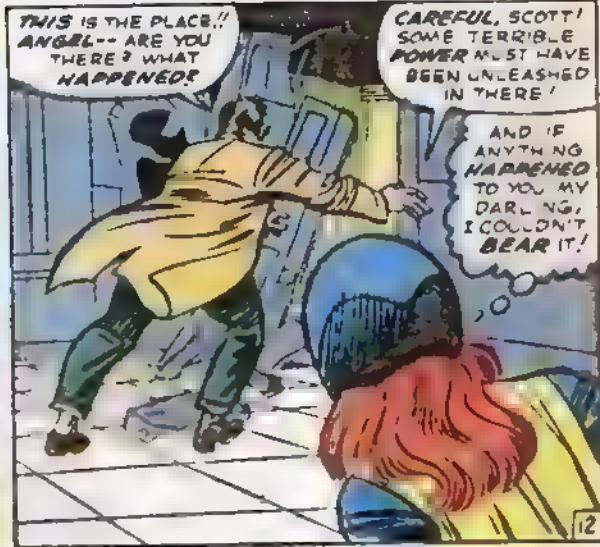
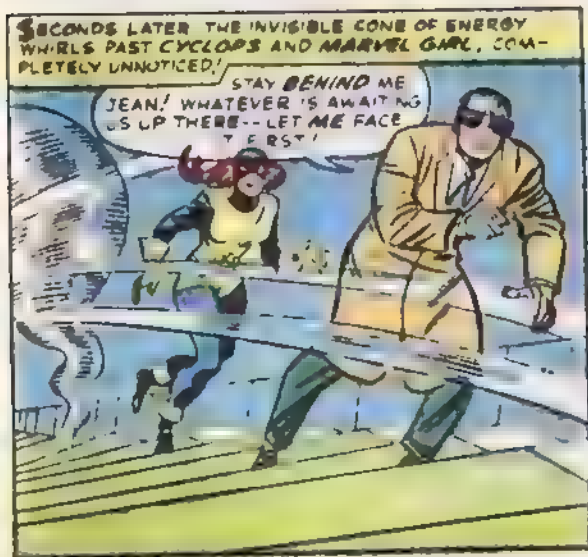
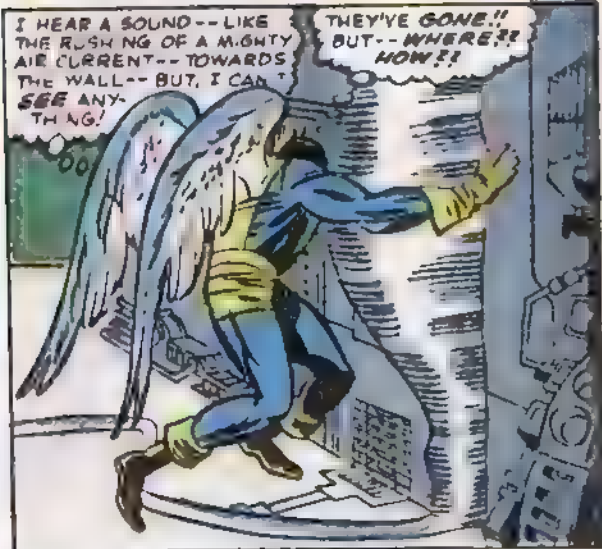
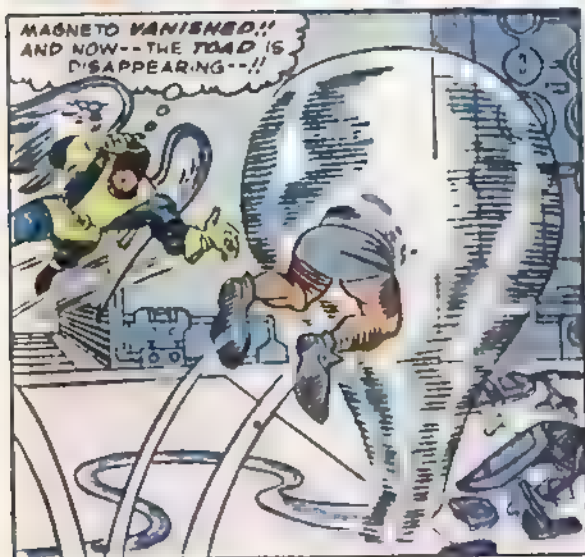
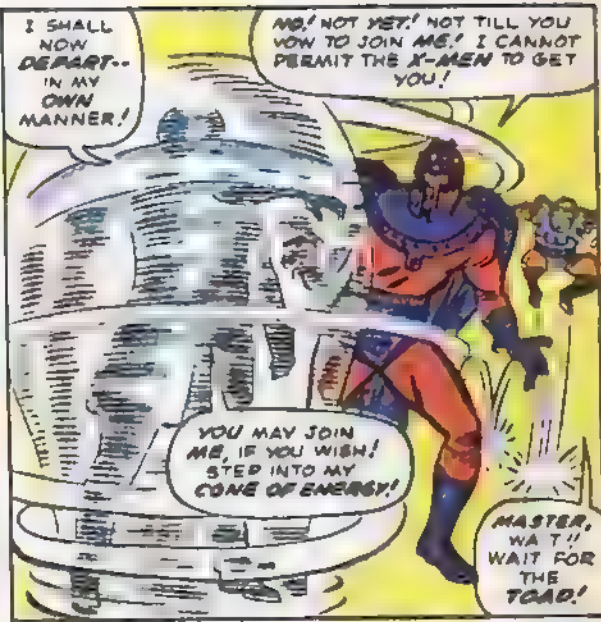
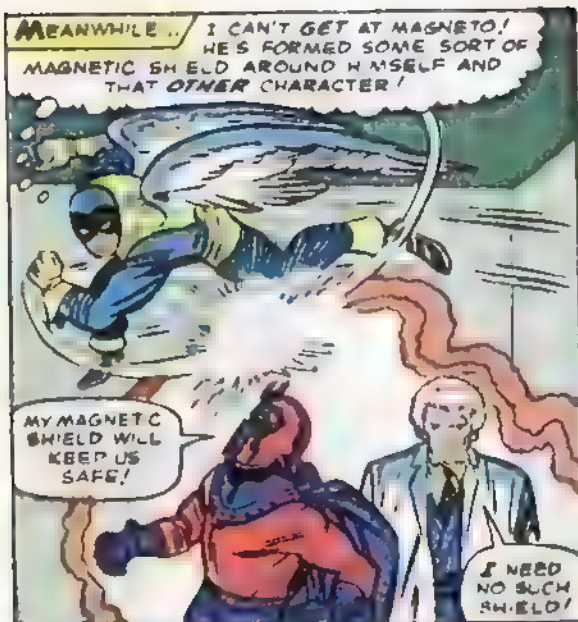




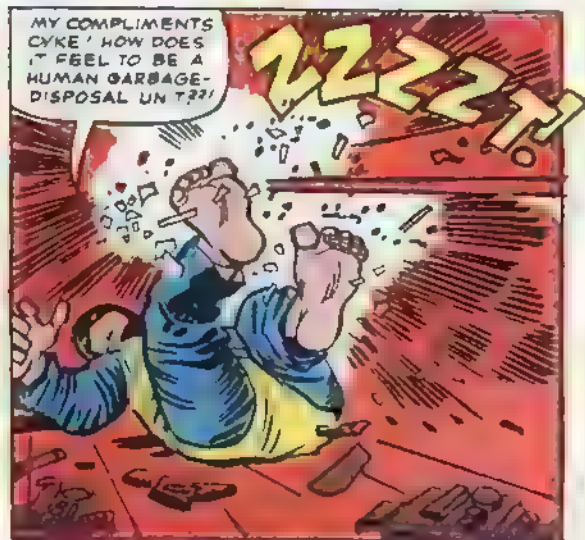












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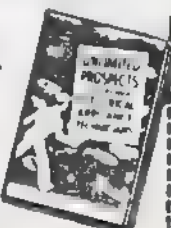
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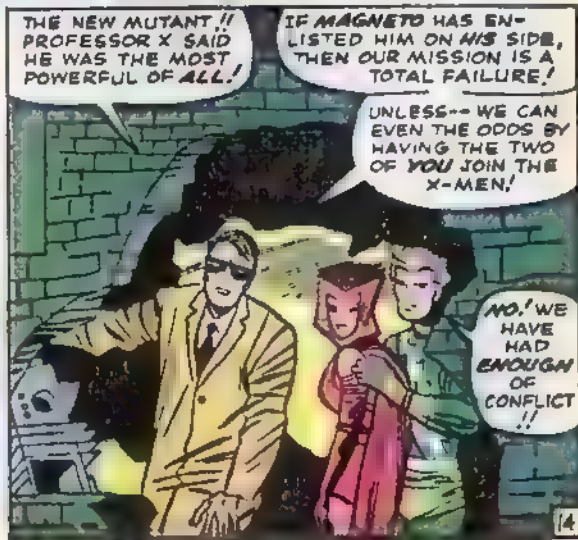
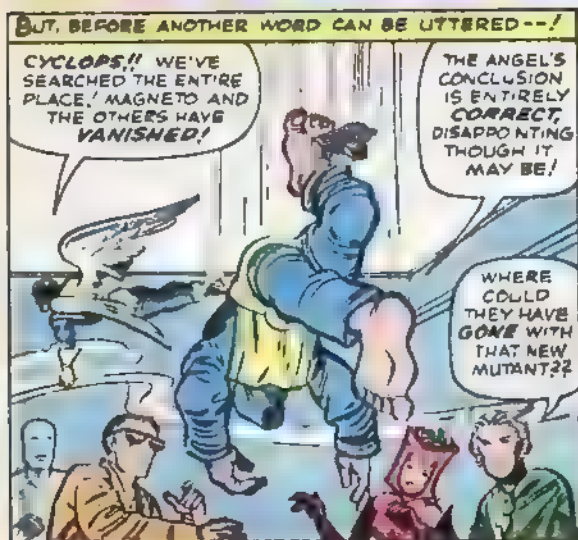
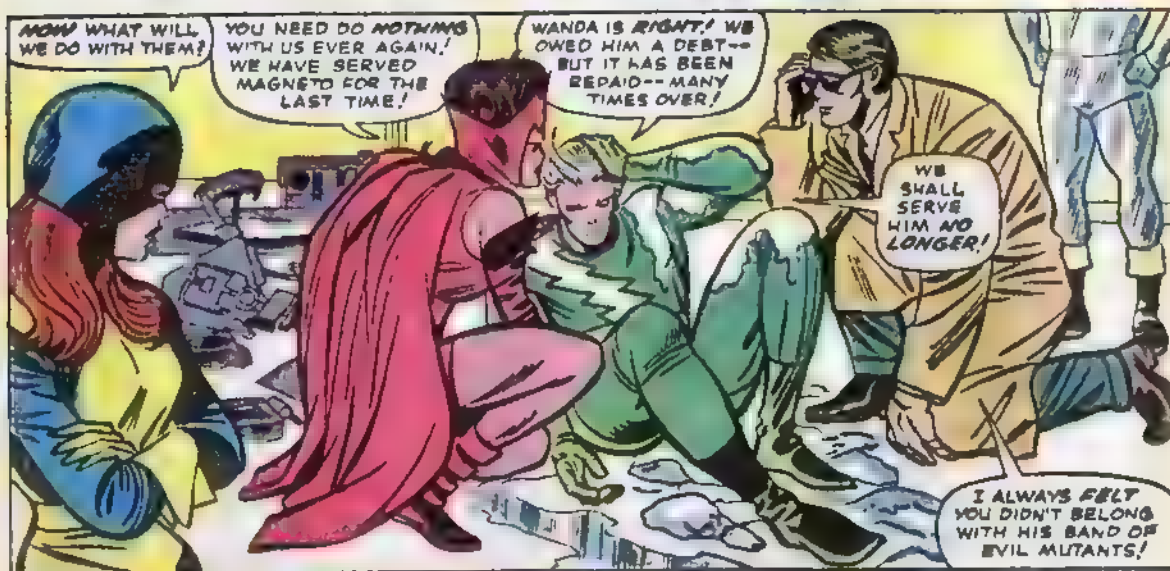
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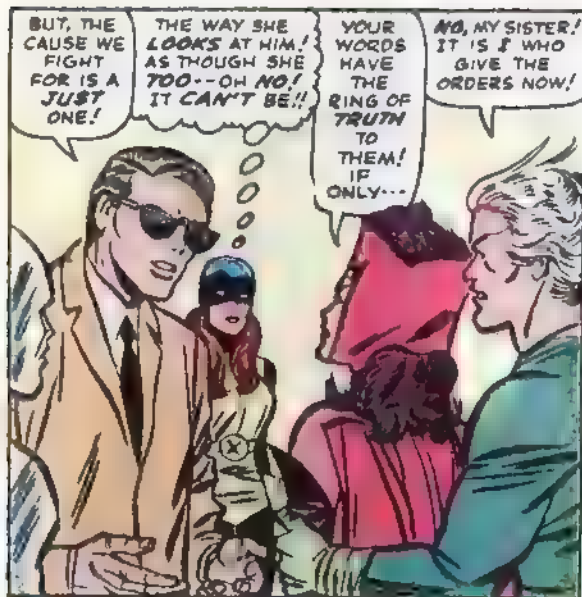
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BUT, THE CAUSE WE FIGHT FOR IS A JUST ONE!

THE WAY SHE LOOKS AT HIM! AS THOUGH SHE TOO--OH NO! IT CAN'T BE!!

YOUR WORDS HAVE THE RING OF TRUTH TO THEM! IF ONLY...

NO, MY SISTER! IT IS I WHO GIVE THE ORDERS NOW!



WE SHALL RETURN TO OUR HOME--IN CENTRAL EUROPE AND FORGET THE ENDLESS BATTLE OF MUTANT AGAINST MUTANT--!

BUT SOME-DAY WE MAY RETURN! SOMEDAY, THE FATE OF MANKIND MAY HINGE UPON OUR ENTERING THE BATTLE ONCE MORE!



MEANWHILE, THE "STRANGER'S" CONE OF ENERGY COMES TO A HALT DEEP WITHIN A LONELY WOODED AREA.

WE HAVE JOURNEYED FAR ENOUGH! PREPARE FOR DISSOLVEMENT!

DISSOLVEMENT??



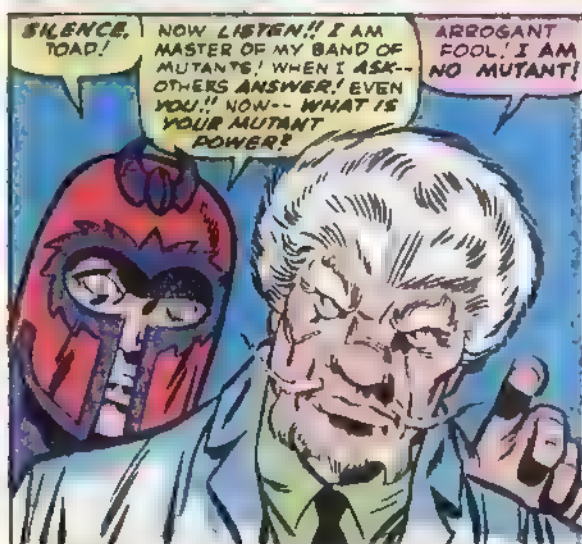
THIS IS THE MOMENT WHEN MY ENERGY CONE DISSOLVES INTO THE NOTHINGNESS IT CAME FROM!



TELL ME--WHO ARE YOU?? EXACTLY WHAT POWER DO YOU POSSESS? YOU SEEM TO BE ALMOST AS MIGHTY AS I--ALMOST THE EQUAL OF MAGNETO!!

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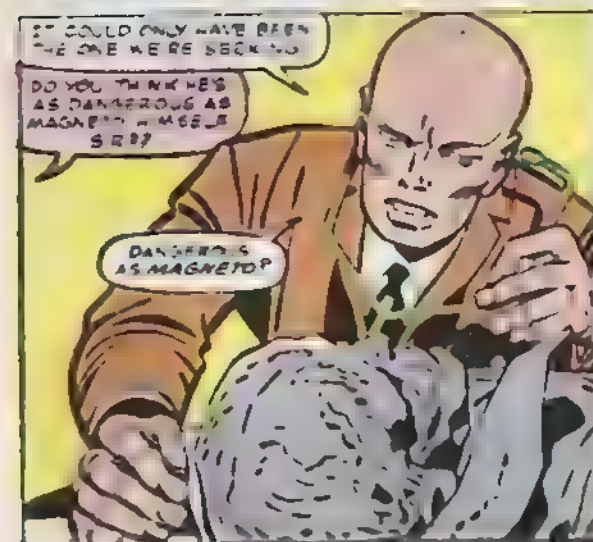
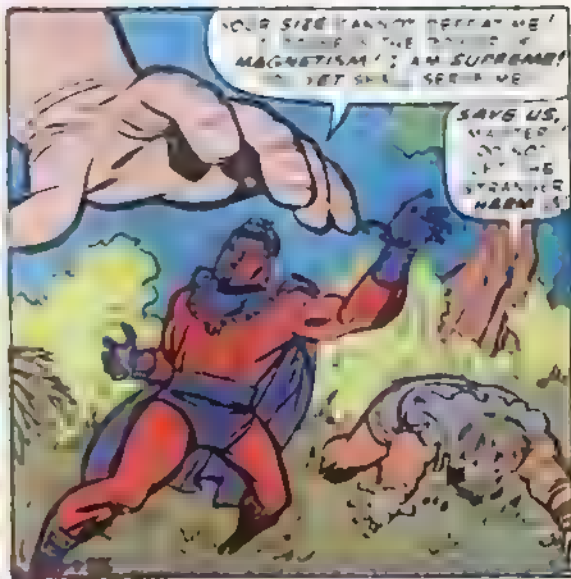
ARROGANT FOOL! I AM NO MUTANT!



AS FOR MY POWER, IT IS GREATER BY FAR THAN YOU CAN EVEN IMAGINE!!

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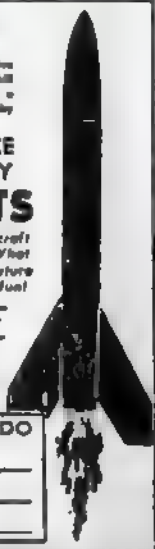
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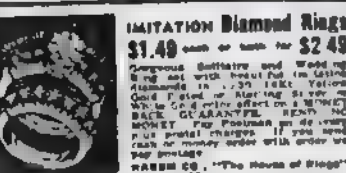
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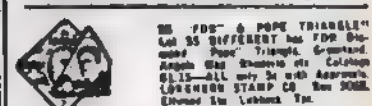
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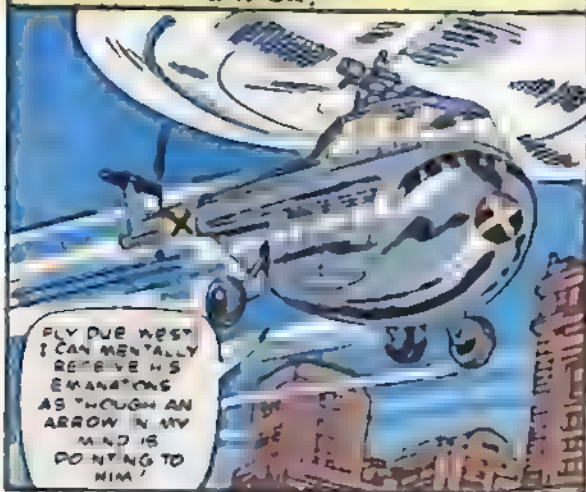
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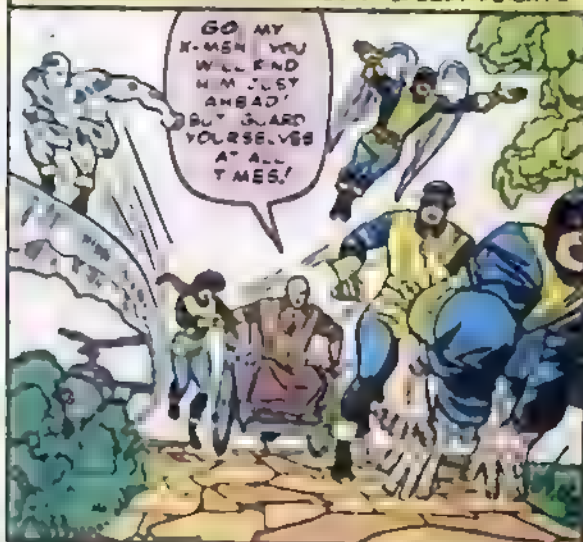
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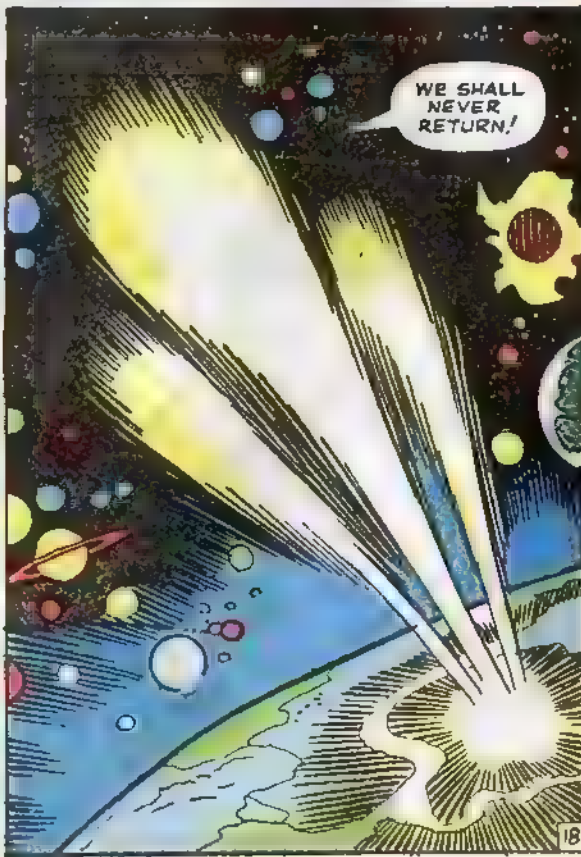
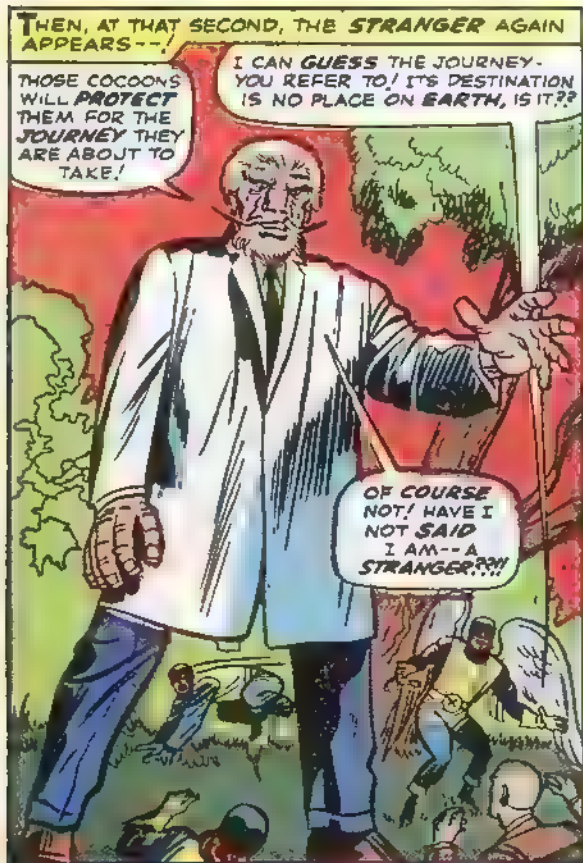
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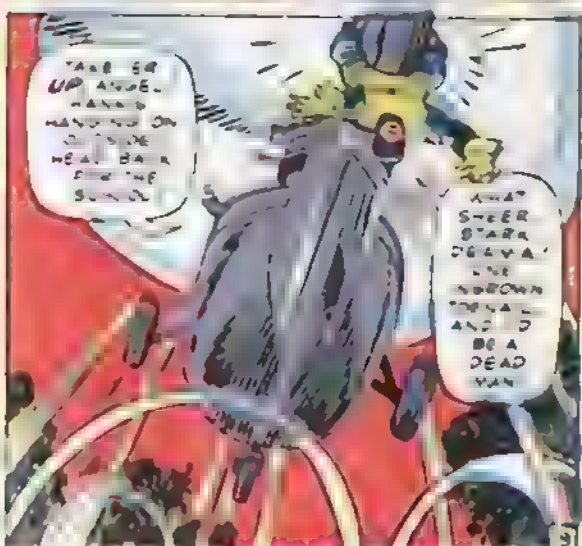
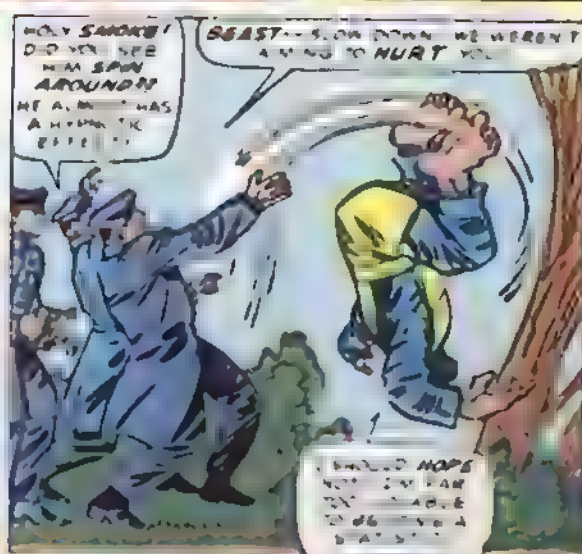
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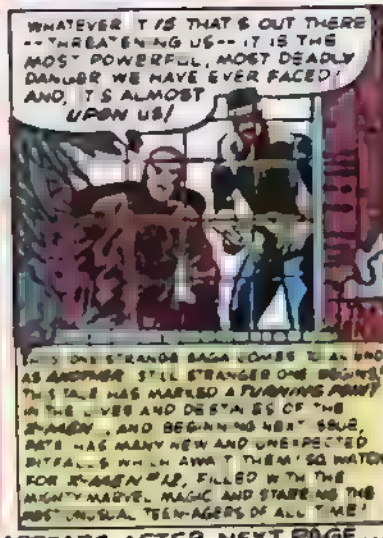
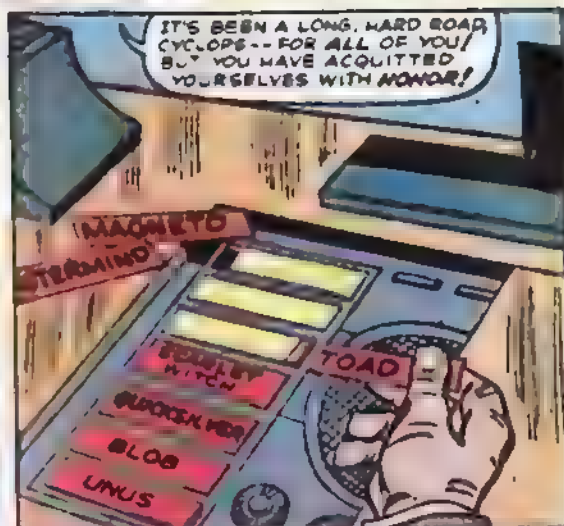
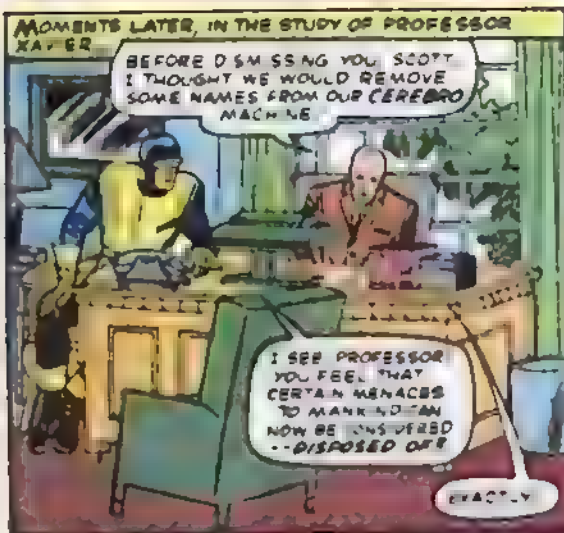
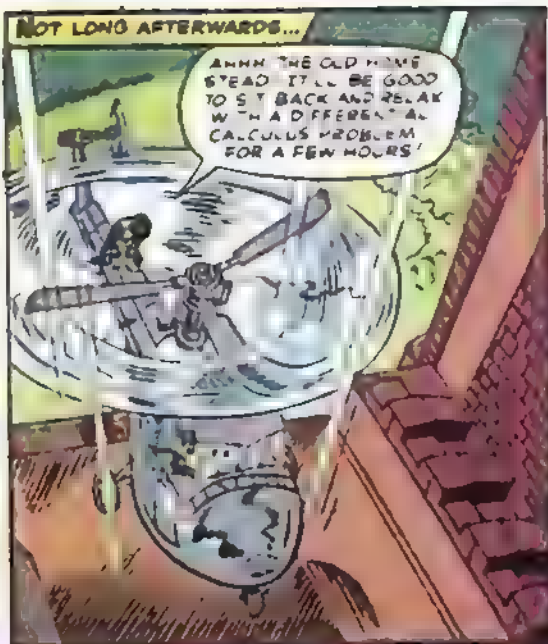










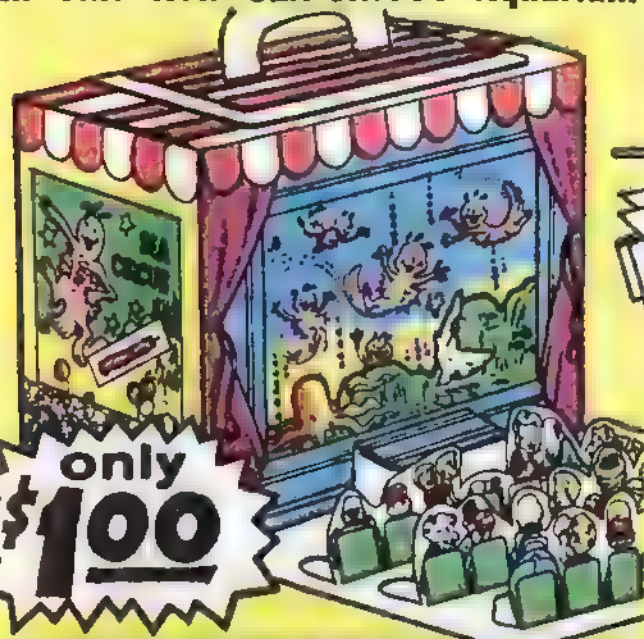


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—Well, we did it! We finally unloaded Magneto, as so many of you asked us to do! (Of course, inasmuch as most of you frantic fans are a most as mixed-up as we are, we're sure that lots of you will write angry letters demanding that we bring him back!) Anyway, we can't be sure what the future will bring, but this much is certain . . . if there's any way to take you completely by surprise, we'll be in there trying! Dear Stan and Jack,

I think that you're giving Magneto the raw end of the deal. I mean by the way you base your polls. Well, you have approximately 300,000 readers and you receive letters from approximately one percent of them—it's high time somebody took Magneto's side for a change. Let's look at it this way, fellas. You've got the most original villains in comics today. We took a vote where I work and the vote was unanimous—93 votes for Magneto and his merry mutants. In other words, there are at least 93 people who want to see Magneto in action again. Besides, you know as well as I do how popular the Scarlet Witch and Quicksilver are. They've got fans crawling out of the woodwork. If you kick Magneto out, what will you do with them? I feel that there are a lot more people who want to see Magneto in action again than those that don't. In fact I'm willing to wager my milk truck that a high percentage of them do want him back. So please bring him back, o.k.?

George Nagy, Wayne Creamery Inc.  
6745 Bostwick, Detroit 9, Mich.

Now you tell us, eh Georgie? Now, after we've just sent him packing 'way past the twilight zone! Anyway, it's just possible we haven't seen the last of Pietro and Wanda yet—just wait 'n' see!

Dear Stan and Jack,

I've been a Marvel fan for approximately three years. It started when, as a Junior in undergraduate school, I picked up one of my girlfriend's brother's comic book—addiction soon followed. Presently, I am in graduate school at Lehigh University where I teach Calculus and so do Algebraic Topology. Here I am subject to great wonderment from students and peers. However, upon persistence on my part, they take your magazines and sit quietly for ten minutes. A unanimous vote of my newly founded Marvel Mathematicians' Comic Club has it that the Hulk is undoubtedly your best character, and only Dr. Strange followed by the X-Men can approach him. Incidentally, both my mother, who is director of the Evening School at a small liberal arts college in the East, and my father, head of the Department of Psychology at the same school, wait eagerly for me to send your mags home. Keep up the good work! Scott W. Williams, Lehigh University  
614 Cherokee St., Bethlehem, Pa.

How about that! Well, what are you waitin' for, Scotty? As soon as they inaugurate a course on cosmology at Lehigh, let us know! We'll toss a coin for which of us can be the Dean, and we'll have a ball!

Dear Stan and Jack,

Whenever I got a haircut, you'd see me with four or five Marvel mags. But I can proudly say that yesterday I got my first X-MEN—issue #9. I now know that it's your best comic and my favorite. Don Ensign was very smart in what he said—he has good taste and I congratulate him. But I only congratulate him on what he said about Quicksilver and the Scarlet Witch. On another point, the X-Men are a large enough group already. As for a deputy leader, I feel that they should use a rotation of some sort. It would be better for the whole team. Cyclops and Iceman are your best characters. I don't like the Angel as much as the others—so what, he can fly, but he has no super powers that help the team. Why don't you have Professor Xavier give him some other power in a future issue? Make his power completely different from any other

character in the Marvel house. Marvel Girl and Beast are just the way they should be. Keep up the good work and may you have many more good years. Ooops, I almost forgot! I'm going to join the M.M.M.s as soon as I get my dad's hammer—I lost the key to the lock on my bank!

Barry Kaplowitz, 97 Shore Drive  
Winthrop, Mass.

Too bad, Barry! If you hadn't panned Angel the way you did, we'd have flown him over with a duplicate key! That'll teach you! Anyway, we don't want you to miss being a Merry Marcher for one more day, so—send us the whole bank! We'll open it!

## THE MIGHTY MARVEL CHECKLIST

A Line-Up Of Some Of The Marvel-ous Mags On Sale Right Now!

**FANTASTIC FOUR #39:** With their super powers gone, the F.F. must fight Dr. Doom, the most dangerous arch-villain of all! Guest-starring the fearless Daredevil, "A Blind Man Shall Lead Them!" is possibly one of the ten greatest thrillers you will ever read!

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**STRANGE TALES #135:** Don't even try to guess the ending of this month's pulse-pounding Torch and Thing epic! Just sit back and enjoy Trumbo's Terrible Toys! As for Dr. Strange, only Steve Ditko could create the mystic mood of "A Nameless Land, A Timeless Time!" It's sheer Marvel magic!

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Dear Stan and Jack,

I will now settle this confusion over your villains and heroes. Whether to have more guest stars and what villains to return are some of the problems I shall answer. I have formulated certain laws dealing with comic heroes and villains. If anyone tries to vary these laws with their own opinions, they are to be ignored if they contradict the following statements. 1) Good and Evil are equal, opposing forces and must be treated as such. 2) Each and every hero and villain has a given amount of power and value. This power and value must never vary. 3) Each



and every hero and villain, having each other's given amount of power, must do battle only with foes with equivalent power. 4) Each and every hero and villain, having each other's own value or worth, must not be featured more than a set number of times per year. 5) Each and every hero and villain who in the beginning battles a foe or group of foes must in his return appearances battle that foe or group of foes. If he battles that group of foes in the beginning, he must, on his or her return appearances, battle them as a whole so as to keep the balance of opposing forces equal. So, there you have the five basic laws of comic heroes and villains concerning their powers. I think I have created a good standard, the "unit of power." I hope that these explanations will show why certain heroes can not battle certain types of villains and why heroes and villains should not mix from one person to another. I have shown why guest starring should be limited also. Other reasons are that we see enough of that hero in his own mag, and besides, guest stars steal part of the glory from this or that hero. The reason everyone likes the X-MEN is that they don't get so much publicity or mix with other heroes. That keeps them unique.

Vincent C. Stuart, 1438 W. Euclid  
Detroit 6, Mich.

**Wow! We can't spend too much time commenting on your letter, Vince—we're still trying to interpret it! Anyway, we're sure it'll make a lot of sense as soon as we can figure it out, so thanks a lot—we think!**

**SPECIAL NOTE:** Many of you have written to say that the Marvel mags in your town sell out too rapidly and you have trouble finding them! Only you can solve that earth-shaking problem! If enough of you tell your magazine dealers how much you want Marvel's marvelous mags, and if enough of you tell your dealers to display the Marvel masterpieces right up front, and to order an extra-large supply so that there'll be plenty to go around, your dealer should start getting the message after a while! So it's up to you! In the immortal words of Irving Berlin, be sure to tell your dealer: **MAKE MINE MARVEL!**

Dear Stan and Jack,

In my opinion X-MEN #9 was the greatest! The plot, art, and inking were terrific! I especially enjoy those cute little comments you have on page 1 of all your mags—the crazy credits! Keep them in and you'll go far! Now back to the X-MEN. On page 5, Professor X is captured by a dust devil and taken to Lucifer. It would seem to me, although I may in some remote way be wrong, that the shock of suddenly being yanked into the whirling dust devil would cause Professor X a great deal of pain, or perhaps even injure his legs to a greater extent. Well? In general, all I can say is keep all your comic mags as well-rounded as this one and they'll sell, believe me. (Even if I have to buy them all myself.) Thanks for offering membership in the M.M.M.S. So, I joined already! After all, what's a club without members? Answer that one!

Rick Albright, 319 Lincoln St.  
Marysville, Pa. 17053

**A memberless club! Nyahhhh!**

Dear Stan and Jack,

During one year's time you have come a long way with the X-MEN. You have given each character a separate and enjoyable personality. The Angel is the only one who has not changed with the coming of each new issue. The Beast, who really acted like a beast in the early issues, has been given an intellect which seems comic at times. His looks have improved too. Now he looks like an all-around good guy compared to the hairy creature he started out to be. Cyclops has generally remained the same except that he is now the leader of the X-Men. His fear that his power beam might get out of control gives him the human quality which most of your characters have. The Iceman is my pet peeve. I liked him better when he looked like a snowman. Now he looks like a frosty homo sapiens, and his face does not become him. Also, what happened to his boots? They, like those of the Thing, lasted only four issues. Marvel Girl is a fine character except she changes headwear almost as much as Iron Man. The one in issue #7 is fine, and I hope you stay with this one. I also like to see them in their everyday lives out of costume. This

gives the story a little extra zing. If you should add to the ranks of the X-Men, recruit Quicksilver and the Scarlet Witch. As far as I know, there is no super-hero group with two girls in it, and with your imaginative minds at Marvel, I'm sure you could think up some good sub-plots for your stories.

Martin Brack, 2145 Biarritz Drive  
Miami Beach, Fla.

**That's the problem, Marty! We have sub-plots galore! We've even got sub-sub-plots for our sub-plots! It's the plain, ordinary plots we can't get enough of. Well, that's how it is with us! It's either a feast, or a famine!**

Dear Stan and Jack,

I enjoy the X-MEN very much. Scott makes a good leader—the only possible choice besides the Professor. When you have a good thing why mess it up? The costumes identify the group—who wants to be gaudy? The X-Men are dedicated to helping the world so they don't need to put on a side-show. A romance between Scott and Marvel Girl can wait. I like adventure that's way out and the X-Men sure fit the bill. (Don't laugh—I'm a girl who's 21 years old, so you can see romance isn't everything! Girls do think of other things.) I'm going to send for a subscription as I've missed a few issues due to the fact that I can't find them anywhere—and I look! Thanks and keep up the good work!

Pat Smith, 1800 Marion St.  
Greensboro, N. C.

**We'll do our best, Pat honey—and we love ya!**

Dear Stan and Jack,

You have asked us fans to comment on the possibilities of Quicksilver and the Scarlet Witch joining the X-Men. To begin with, I think the X-Men are one of the best super teams in comics today. I honestly believe that the addition of any new members would ruin the team. What are the reasons behind my strong convictions? First of all, the X-Men already have the maximum number of members they can retain and still have an effective fighting team. The F.F. have risen to greatness not because any particular member is outstanding, but because they are a compact, efficient band of crimefighters. Five is the maximum a team can safely have. In the F.F. story "The Avengers Take Over" we saw the myriad of super-heroes actually falling over each other's feet. Undoubtedly, Quicksilver and the Scarlet Witch have achieved a good deal of popularity with the readers. But to make villains into heroes just because they are popular is unwise and also depletes the ranks of good toes. People like them because they really aren't so terrible. These fans, no doubt, also think the Hulk is just adorable and would like to see Dr. Doom get plastic surgery and go straight. Having villains admired by the readers helps us realize that the world isn't all good vs. evil, but that there's a little in between. "The Brotherhood of Evil Mutants" is a great organization, but after four straight issues, you may wear them out. Surely, there must be some independent mutants left like the Blob or the Vanisher who could battle the X-Men without interference from Magneto.

Kenneth S. Callagher, 1409 Spring Valley Terr.  
Huntington, W. Va.

**As you may have guessed by now, we're going to teach all of you a lesson! We're not gonna bring Magneto back till you beg for him! And even then, you'll have to say pretty please! Poor Magny! We must have gotten a hundred zillion letters saying we're used him too often! Just shows how little we know—we loved 'im! —Okay, it's coming attractions time now! And we've really got some exciting news for our next ish! We're planning to have a new artist illustrate X-MEN #12—he's one of comic-dom's truly greats—in a class with wonderful Wally Wood whose fabulous work on DAREDEVIL is the talk of the town! We won't tell you his name now, because we want you to be surprised, but when you see him, we guarantee you'll flip! Also, in our next X-MEN, you'll learn about the mysterious origin of Professor X—you'll meet a new super-villain whose power is one of the greatest of all time, and you'll be in on the start of a brand new trend in super-hero thrillers! Except for that, there's nothing new! So, reserve your copy of X-MEN #12 right away, and look for us again next ish! We're all gonna have a ball!**

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**Albert Dorne** — probably the greatest money-maker in the history of commercial art. At the height of his career, he began a full-time search for people who like to draw.

## He's Looking for People Who Like to Draw

**T**ODAY HUNDREDS of men and women who never thought they could be artists are working happily at easels and drawing boards, making pictures and getting well paid for it. They all can thank Albert Dorne, a famous artist who devotes almost his full time to helping other people become artists.

### Some of the People Dorne Has Helped

Herb Smith was a payroll clerk. Soon after he started studying with us, he landed an art job with a large printing firm. This was four years ago; today he's head artist for the same firm.

John Buskett is another. He was a pipe fitter's helper in a big gas company. Today he still works for the same company, but as an artist in the advertising department, with a big increase in pay.

Harriet Kuzniewski was bored with an "ordinary" job before she heard of Albert Dorne. Today she does high-style fashion illustration in New York.

With the right training, Wanda Pickulski gave up her typing job to become fashion artist for a local department store.

John Whitaker of Memphis was an airline clerk two years ago. Recently he won a national cartooning contest and was signed to do a newspaper comic strip.

Long before Albert Dorne started looking for people who like to draw, they came to him for advice and help. Since he alone could help only a few of these people, he called together America's most successful artists — men like Norman Rockwell, Jon Whitcomb, Stevan Dohanos and Al Parker.

### A Plan to Help Others

He said: "All over America, there are people who like to draw, who could be turned into good artists. Why can't we give these people the training they need—including all the trade secrets and know-how we've learned over the years? I'm suggesting a new kind of school—a home-study art school

### America's 12 Most Famous Artists

Norman Rockwell	Fred Ludekens
Jon Whitcomb	Ben Stahl
Al Parker	Robert Fawcett
Stevan Dohanos	Austin Briggs
George Giusti	Harold Von Schmidt
Peter Helck	Albert Dorne

that would give talented people the best professional art training, no matter where they live."

The famous artists agreed. Taking time from their busy careers, they spent several years creating a remarkable series of art lessons covering every aspect of drawing and painting. They illustrated their lessons with over 5,000 "here's-how" illustrations. The lessons start from scratch and cover every skill a top artist needs. Finally, the famous artists developed a wonderful way to give each student personal correction and advice all through his training.

Albert Dorne is not surprised by the success of his students. "The art field is growing. We keep getting calls from all over the country, asking us for practical, well-trained students who can step into full-time or part-time art jobs."

### Famous Artists Talent Test

To find others with art talent worth developing, the Famous Artists created a 12-page talent test. Thousands paid to take this test, but now the School offers it free and grades it free. If you do well on the test—or offer other evidence of art talent—you may enroll in the School. There's no obligation. Simply mail coupon. It might be your first step to an exciting, well-paid career in art.

### Famous Artists Schools Studio 7556, Westport, Conn.

I would like to find out whether I have art talent worth developing. Please send me, without obligation, your Famous Artists Talent Test and descriptive brochure.

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